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For: METHODS FOR GENERATING HIGH TITER
HELPER-FREE PREPARATIONS OF
RELEASED RECOMBINANT AAV VECTORS

Examiner: M. Hill

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated October 19, 2004, for which a response is due on January 19, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to February 19, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.